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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of : JACK C. WYBENGA, et al  
Serial No. : 10/658,977  
Filed : September 10, 2003  
For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING HIGH-SPEED LOOKUPS IN A ROUTING TABLE  
Group No. : 2189  
Examiner : Horace L. Flournoy

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Sir:

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This communication responds to an Office Action dated June 7, 2006, which has a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on September 7, 2006.

Please amend the application as follows.